

## The Lexington Gazette

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22, 1911

## The Coming and Going of People You Know

Mr. Charles Fitch of Greenville, is visiting his nephew, Mr. Ralph I. Fitch.

Dr. Reid White who has been ill the past week with pneumonia is reported better.

Mr. J. McD. Adair left a few days ago for Atlanta, Ga., to visit Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Rhodes.

Rev. John A. Anderson, presiding elder, occupied the pulpit of Trinity Methodist church Sunday night.

Cadet Richard Bruce, who is attending the Augusta Military Academy, is at home for a few days.

Mrs. Isaac Weinberg is in New York making purchases of spring and summer goods for her millinery store.

General E. W. Nichols will leave tonight for Jacksonville, Fla., to address the V. M. I. Alumni Association in that city.

Mr. William A. Adair was appointed last week by the Grand Lodge of Masons as district deputy grand master for this district.

Mr. F. Cleveland Davis accompanied Mrs. Davis last Friday to Richmond where Saturday she underwent an operation for appendicitis, which was successful.

## Fuller-Long

Mr. Frank G. Fuller and Miss Mary Belle Long of Baltimore, were married Saturday afternoon, Feb. 18, at the home of the bride's parents, Captain and Mrs. Harry Long of that city. Rev. Mr. Gilliam of the Methodist Episcopal church was the officiating minister. Little Miss Evelyn Long and Master Hix Long, niece and nephew of the bride, were flower carrier and ring bearer, respectively.

Mr. Fuller is a son of the late Mr. S. B. Fuller, and until recent years lived in this community. He arrived in Lexington a few days ago with his bride and are stopping at the Lexington Hotel.

## Davis-Leckey

Miss Bessie Lee Leckey, daughter of Mrs. Evelyn G. Leckey and the late Mr. William F. Leckey, was married Tuesday evening, February 14th, at her home at Fancy Hill, to Dr. R. Frank Davis. Rev. W. T. Wymann, pastor of Falling Spring Presbyterian church, officiated. The bride wore a grey traveling suit with hat and gloves to match.

Dr. Davis came from Augusta county recently and located in the Falling Spring community to practice medicine.

## Rhodes-Taylor

Mr. William A. Rhodes and Miss Nannie Warwick Taylor were married last Wednesday afternoon at Bethel Methodist church, the pastor, Rev. L. B. Ruckman, officiating. Mr. William L. Rhodes, son of the groom, was best man, and Miss Sallie Taylor, the bride's sister, was her maid of honor.

After a trip to Northern cities Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes will live at their home near Lexington.

## Mr. A. G. Rhodes Dead

A telegram was received here at 3 o'clock this afternoon announcing the death of Mr. A. G. Rhodes at Stanardsville. He left Lexington two weeks ago for his home at that place. He will be buried at Stanardsville. He was a son of Mr. Jacob N. Rhodes and a brother of the late Mr. Frank P. Rhodes, and for several years past has lived in Stanardsville. He formerly lived in Lexington.

## Fancy Dress Ball

The Fancy Dress Ball, given in the skating rink last night, was participated in by more than fifty couples. Many of the costumes were grotesque in the extreme, while other exhibited artistic talent in the making.

## Washington Society

The ninety-ninth annual celebration of the Washington Literary Society will be held tonight in the University Chapel, at 8 o'clock, consisting of orations, debate and music. The public is invited.

Today has been observed as a birthday in honor of George Washington's birthday, by the suspension of duties at Washington and Lee, the V. M. I., the public schools, the closing of the banks and holiday hours at the postoffice.

## V. M. I. CADETS EXPELLED

## Seventy-Seven Third Classmen Are Dismissed for Mutiny

Seventy-seven members of the Third Class at the Virginia Military Institute were dismissed Monday afternoon through orders published by Superintendent Nichols for insubordination and rebellious conduct, resulting from the explosion of bombs and other fireworks and their desertion from duty Monday morning. Although warned in a special order by the Superintendent Sunday, the fractious cadets persisted in their insubordination and Monday morning after breakfast they defied the authorities and marched up town in a body. Later a delegation was sent to treat with the Superintendent, but their overtures were of no avail and that afternoon they were expelled from the Institute and given until six o'clock to remove their belongings from barracks.

The starting of the disturbance was, no doubt, thoughtlessness on the part of a lot of schoolboys. The latter part of last week explosions of fireworks around barracks became somewhat frequent, possibly to afford amusement. In order to stop the disturbance the commandant of cadets detailed an extra guard, requiring members of the Third Class to perform this duty, and stated that the guard would be continued as long as the disturbance lasted. Saturday morning, in defiance of the orders of the commandant, the firing of explosives was again started and was kept up periodically until late at night.

The tactical officers inspected the quarters and large quantities of combustibles, including dynamite, were found and confiscated. Other supplies were smuggled into barracks and the explosions continued throughout Sunday. Four members of the First Class were detailed on duty as officers of the day to aid the officers in charge and the tactical officers in preventing the disorders, since the impression prevailed that the Third Class sentinels were neglecting their duty. Two men, Cadets Jemison and Brandt, members of the Third Class, were detected lighting firecrackers and they were placed under arrest, and were dismissed Sunday night from the Institute.

Following the order of expulsion a meeting of the Third Class was held and the agreement made that unless their two expelled classmates were reinstated the entire class would fall out of ranks and leave the Institute. This agreement was carried into effect Monday morning after breakfast. Colonel Watts, the adjutant, came up town and tried to persuade the young men to return to their duties, but they declined. About 9:30 o'clock they returned to barracks in an orderly manner and tried to open negotiations with Commandant Gleeves, who informed them that they could choose between going to their rooms under arrest and resuming their regular duties while awaiting investigation, or immediately leaving the Institute grounds. Without hesitation Cadet Webster, the class president, gave the command to leave the grounds.

The young men remained up town until the order of expulsion from General Nichols was published and they realized that all chance of reinstatement was at an end. Most of them left on the evening trains for their homes. Some of them were from far distant States. Altogether twenty-two States were represented in the class.

Following is the order of dismissal published by the Superintendent:

"The Commandant of Cadets has forwarded to the Superintendent charges against certain members of the Third Class for violation of Article 123 V. M. I. Regulations. The article in question forbids all combinations among cadets under any pretext whatever, and especially prescribes that where such combinations are formed the guilty parties shall be immediately dismissed from the institution.

"In compliance with the provisions of this article the following cadets, members of the Third Class, together with ex-members of this class who are equally incriminated, are hereby dismissed, and their connection with the Virginia Military Institute terminates with date: "A. A. Adams, T. S. Adams, W. F. Baldwin, H. Banning, G. C. Bell, R. W. Boggess, W. F. Brandt, R. Burton, C. E. Bushnell, G. L. Carson, C. Christian, H. S. Coburn, J. M. Crane, H. T. Creswell, W. F.

## Preparing for Old Time Spelling Bee March 6th

The big, old time Spelling Bee, to be given at the High School Auditorium Monday night, March 6th, is arousing great interest among young and old.

Dr. Jas. Lewis Howe and Dr. Hunter Pendleton will be the captains for the two sides, and under their direction a lively contest is sure to take place. Some twenty ladies and gentlemen of the community have already handed in their names as contestants, and many of these are hard at work, studying spelling-book and dictionary. A squad of 20 pupils from the Grammar School and High School are in daily training for the contest and expect to give the old-time spellers a hard fight for the big \$10 prize. A number of students and cadets are expected to defend the honor of Washington and Lee and V. M. I.

Dr. Currell will be the pedagogue for the occasion—a sure guarantee that the contest will be sparkling with wit and humor.

All who wish to enter the contest should hand their names to Mr. Harrington Waddell as soon as possible, as the list will soon be full.

The following are the general regulations governing the contest:

(1) No charge for contestants, except the regular ticket of admission.

(2) International Webster and The Standard will be the reference dictionaries.

(3) A committee of three judges will decide all disputed points.

(4) First trial decides correctness of spelling.

(5) The words must be repeated by the speller before it is spelled.

(6) No definitions will be given except for words with same sound and different meaning.

(7) Words missed shall be passed from side to corresponding speller on the other side.

(8) When the number on either side shall be reduced to 5, the spelling shall then be in rotation and not from side to side.

## Services at Presbyterian Church

Communion services will be held at the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Alfred T. Graham. Preparatory services will be held Thursday night, Friday morning and night, and Saturday morning and night, conducted by Rev. Dr. P. Frank Price of the Chinese Mission, who is the foreign pastor of the church. Dr. Price will preach on Missions Sunday night.

Cunningham, H. A. Darnell, B. F. Dawes, H. K. Dickson, W. E. Dilard, C. H. Dishman, C. Flanagan, E. J. Frazer, A. Galt, L. S. Gerow, T. H. Getzon, W. R. Haynes, H. R. Hordern, R. J. Howard, C. C. Jones, W. Kelly, F. R. Kimbell, J. F. King, M. H. Kingman, J. D. Kirkpatrick, F. W. Look, M. R. Loth, W. J. Loth, C. P. McCabe, W. W. McCleary, Jas. McMenamin, Jno. McMenamin, E. W. McMillin, C. F. Mansfield, W. Marshall, F. R. Metcalf, A. H. Mitchell, J. C. Nowlin, M. G. Patterson, S. H. Peck, G. D. Price, H. P. Quentin, J. L. Richey, G. S. Riser, B. L. Robertson, W. W. Robbrough, J. E. Roller, P. S. Rouse, C. Satterfield, S. J. Schilling, S. C. Smith, T. C. Smith, E. B. Stone, J. W. Stroh, E. B. Stroud, R. B. Thompson, F. B. Webster, R. M. Williams, W. P. Wootts, T. Worthington, H. V. Grady, W. Harr, C. Karst, J. D. Jennings, G. D. Wiltshire, H. M. Douglas, G. C. Heath, G. C. Warner.

"In taking the action as outlined in the preceding paragraph the Superintendent is conscious of a feeling of personal distress that so large a body of young men, many of whom have heretofore been exemplary in their deportment, should so far forget their duty to themselves, to their parents and the honorable institution with which they have been connected. No just cause of grievance is even alleged, and even if such existed ample recourse is to be found in the provisions of military law. In a moment of thoughtlessness these young men have combined to defy authority and are attempting by concerted action to dictate to the governing authority of this institution.

"The Virginia Military Institute stands preeminently for law and order and discipline, and the proper recognition of constituted authority forms the foundation stone and keystone of its structure, and an assault upon these constitutes the most grievous offense known to our law. Immediate dismissal must necessarily ensue in such cases and this whether one, a hundred or the whole corps is involved."

## Judge S. H. Letcher Will Retire From the Bench

Judge S. Houston Letcher has informed a number of his friends that he will not be a candidate for reelection to the judgeship of the Circuit Court embracing Rockbridge and Augusta counties, although his formal announcement to that effect will not be made until later.

Judge Letcher has been on the bench nearly 14 years. He was first appointed by Governor Tyler to fill out the term of Judge William McLaughlin, and is now winding up the term of eight years to which he was elected by the Legislature under the new Constitution.

Judge Henry W. Holt of the Corporation Court of Staunton will probably be elected to succeed Judge Letcher.

In connection with his retirement Judge Letcher made the following statement to a friend:

"I had considered the matter and determined, fully a year ago, and stated the fact to several friends, that I would not be a candidate for another term. My intention was to make the announcement at the several bars of the circuit at the spring term, which I thought would be a sufficient and reasonable time to enable them to make such plans for the election of my successor as they might desire to make. My purpose is unchanged and I shall not be a candidate. The duties have become irksome and very tiresome, and whatever honors that attach to the position I suppose I have gotten. Upon the expiration of my term I will have been on the bench nearly 14 years, and will be ready to give way to some younger man who can feel more enthusiasm for the work."

## Spelling Bee Held Last Night

A Spelling Bee was held last night at the home of Mrs. Charles R. Deaver under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of Trinity Methodist church, and the occasion afforded much amusement for participants and spectators.

More than thirty spellers lined up for the contest, with Messrs. H. C. Eley and S. R. Grizzard, as captains. Miss Jessie Young and Mr. J. Harris Thompson were referees and Mr. Wm. R. Kennedy gave the words.

Mr. H. C. McGavock was the last speller on the floor, winning out on the word "cartilaginous." He was on Mr. Eley's side. A large cake was awarded him as a prize for his success, and the "booby" prize, awarded to Miss Margaret Arthur the first speller who missed, was a small dictionary.

## The New Lyric

Mr. Isaac Weinberg, proprietor of The Lyric, has leased the building at present occupied by the R. S. Anderson Company, Inc., and will occupy the same with his motion picture shows about May 1st. The new Lyric will contain handsome interior decorations and the room will be remodeled and improved. Comfortable chairs will be installed and the room will be provided with electric fans and ventilators, with steam heat and electric lights. A vacuum cleaner and disinfectant system will be installed. A change of air will be made every three minutes.

The room will be provided with every modern convenience and a beautiful stage and fittings. The main floor, 17 feet high. A handsome electric front with 200 electric lights will attract the townspeople, while modern conveniences will be maintained.

## The Postmaster's Commission

Postmaster McClung Patton yesterday received from President Taft his commission as postmaster at Lexington for four years beginning February 1st, 1911. His term expired the latter part of June last, consequently he has gained an extension of seven months by the recent controversy over the Lexington office.

A meeting of the teachers of Central District has been called for next Monday, the 27th, at 2 p.m. in the office of County Superintendent Effinger in Lexington.

## Lexington Produce Market.

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| Flour—Extra.....            | \$4.75@5.25 |
| New Wheat.....              | 90          |
| Meal.....                   | 75          |
| Corn.....                   | 60          |
| Butter.....                 | 20          |
| Eggs.....                   | 16          |
| Chickens, per lb.....       | (9)         |
| Hens.....                   | 20          |
| Bacon—Hams, as to size..... | 18@20       |
| "—Shoulders.....            | 16          |
| "—Sides.....                | 14@15       |
| Lard—Choice country.....    | 12          |

## J. McD. Adair

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Lexington, Virginia

Every day brings new arrivals of

## Spring and Summer Goods

Shadow Silk Voiles—all colors, 25c.

Cordelay Silks, 50c.

Princess Silk Foulards, 40c.

Marquesetts, 50c.

All-Wool Batistes and other spring materials, 50c.

Mohairs, 50 inches wide, all colors, 50c.

Flaxons, Plain White, Checked and Figured, 18 to 25c.

New Models in Tailored Suits, \$15.00 to \$25.00

Lingerie Shirt Waists, new models, \$1.00

A'l Linen Shirt Waists, new models, \$1.00

Lace and Pique Stocks, spring styles

Our spring stock is arriving daily. It is attractive, original and prices so low it is sure to be popular. Nobody can afford to sell, or does sell, choice new goods any cheaper than I do. We appreciate greatly our country patronage, particularly at this season of bad roads and weather. We take your produce at the highest prices and supply your wants at the smallest possible margin of profits in Groceries, Dry Goods and Carpets.

## J. McD. ADAIR

## 5 and 10 Cent Counter

We are overstocked on tinware and other small articles which will be placed on this counter at less than cost.

You will find the following articles:

Tin Cups, all sizes, that were 5 and 10 cents, now 3 cents.

Lamp Chimneys, all sizes, that were 5 and 10 cents, now 3 and 5 cents.

Quart Milk Cans that were 15 and 20 cents now 10 cents.

Cuspidors (Crockery) that were 25 cents now 10 cents.

Baking Dishes (Crockery) that were 25 cents now 10 cents.

Peddling Pans (Tin) that were 15 and 25 cents now 10 cents.

Enameled Cups and Dippers that were 10 and 15 cents now 5 and 10 cents.

Frying Pans that were 15 and 25 cents now 10 cents.

Small size Coffee Pots (Tin) that were 10 and 15 cents now 10 cents.

Asbestos Mats (have large assortment) that were 10 and 15 cents now 5 cents.

Asbestos Pans that were 15 and 25 cents now 5 and 10 cents; and many other articles too numerous to mention.

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NOTICE—We are adding Mattings to our business. Look them over and get prices. We have Garden and Flower Seeds in bulk and packages.

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